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TO: IMMEDIATE DIRECTOR.

PRECEDENCE

1. IT IS STATION'S VIEW, WITH LESS THAN FOUR WEEKS REMAINING IN THE CAMPAIGN PERIOD, THAT THE POSSIBILITY OF OBTAINING A TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY IN THE SENATE IS A VALID, ALTHOUGH DIFFICULT, OBJECTIVE. IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THIS MAJORITY THE OPPOSITION NEEDS TO ELECT A TOTAL OF SEVENTEEN OF THE TWENTY-FIVE SENATE SEATS IN CONTENTION. THE OPPOSITION IS CONFIDENT OF WINNING A MINIMUM OF FOURTEEN SENATORS. THERE IS A GOOD PROSPECT FOR AN ADDITIONAL (FOURTH) SENATE SEAT IN THE EIGHT DISTRICT. THE OPPOSITION ALSO HAS FAIR PROSPECTS FOR OBTAINING AN ADDITIONAL SENATORIAL SEAT IN THE SIXTH AND FOURTH SENATORIAL DISTRICTS, AND IS EVEN WITHIN FIGHTING RANGE FOR AN EXTRA SEAT IN THE SECOND AND TENTH DISTRICTS. IN ORDER TO OBTAIN A TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY IN THE SENATE, THERE IS NOT A SINGLE SENATORIAL DISTRICT IN WHICH THE OPPOSITION CAN AFFORD TO

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UNDERTAKE LESS THAN AN OPTIMUM CAMPAIGN EFFORT.

2. DUE TO THE PECULARITIES OF THE CONFEDERATION SYSTEM AS WELL AS THE ELECTORAL SYSTEM OF PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION, THE ULTIMATE OPPOSITION EFFORT IS NOT DEPENDENT UPON THE EFFORTS OF ANY SINGLE CANDIDATE BUT ON THE AGGREGATE INPUT OF THE ENTIRE CODE SLATE. IF THE OPPOSITION IS TO OBTAIN A KEY THIRD (OF FIVE) SENATORIAL SEATS, IT NEEDS TO EXCEED THE FIFTY PERCENT MARK; TO WIN THE FOURTH SENATE SEAT, THE COMBINED OPPOSITION MUST REACH THE 66.7 PERCENT LEVEL. IT DOES NOT MATTER WHICH OF THE OPPOSITION CANDIDATES IS MOST SUCCESSFUL IN ATTRACTING THE NECESSARY VOTE. IN ORDER TO REACH THESE PERCENTAGE LEVELS IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT ALL OPPOSITION CANDIDATES MAKE A MAXIMUM ELECTORAL EFFORT.

3. AN EXAMINATION OF THE SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT WILL SUFFICE AS AN EXAMPLE. HERE THE TWO PDC CANDIDATES ZALDIVAR AND NOEMI AND THE PDR NOMINEE MERCADO ARE ALL BATTLING FOR AN ASSURED TWO SENATORIAL SEATS FOR THE OPPOSITION. OUR OBJECTIVE IS TO OBTAIN THE THIRD SEAT, WE HAVE NO PREFERENCE AS TO WHICH CANDIDATE OBTAINS IT. IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE WHICH OF THE THREE CANDIDATES IS BEST ABLE TO OBTAIN

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THIS GOAL. IN FACT, ALL THREE MUST MAXIMIZE THEIR VOTE IF THE MAJORITY RESULT IS TO BE REACHED.

4. IN THE DEPUTY RACES THE STATION HAS IDENTIFIED SEVERAL KEY RACES IN WHICH THE OPPOSITION MUST OBTAIN AN EXTRA SWING SEAT IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE MAXIMUM RESULT. THE KEY RACES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

ANTOFAGASTA	CLAVEL (PIR)	4-3
SANTIAGO 1ST	ARNELLO (PN)	13-5
COQUIMBO	POBLETE (PIR)	4-3
MAULE	NAUDON (PIR)	3-0
NUBLE, SAN CARLOS	DIAZ (PDR)	3-0
CAUTIN	EQUIQUIERA OR	8-2
	SCHLEYER (PN)	
VALDIVIA	TOLEDO (PDC)	4-1
AISEN	ORTIZ (PN)	2-0

(IF ALL WON, RESULTING SEAT DISTRIBUTION WOULD BE 101-49. HOPED FOR DISTRIBUTION IN SPECIFIC PROVINCE LISTED IN THIRD COLUMN.) HERE AGAIN, HOWEVER, THE KEY TO WINNING THESE ADDITIONAL SEATS LIES NOT WITH THE EFFORTS OF A SINGLE CANDIDATE, BUT THE TOTAL CODE CONFEDERATION EFFORT. LIKE THE SENATORIAL TABULATION, ALLOCATION

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OF DEPUTY SEATS TO THE RESPECTIVE CONFEDERATIONS WILL BE MADE ON THE BASIS OF THE COMBINED VOTE TOTAL FOR EACH CONFEDERATION LIST.

5. IT IS [REDACTED] AND STATION VIEW THAT THE FINANCIAL SUMS REQUESTED IN REF A ARE ESSENTIAL IF THE POLITICAL OPPOSITION IS TO CONTINUE A MAXIMUM CAMPAIGN EFFORT DURING THE FINAL WEEKS OF THE CAMPAIGN PERIOD. THE OPPOSITION HAS TO DATE MOUNTED A STRONG CAMPAIGN, WHILE GOVT CANDIDATES HAVE GOTTEN OFF TO A DISJOINTED START. THIS RELATIVE CAMPAIGN RELATIONSHIP IS EXPECTED TO CHANGE DURING THE FINAL WEEKS OF THE CAMPAIGN PERIOD AS THE U.P. CAMPAIGN PICKS UP MOMENTUM.

6. IN THE CASE OF THE PDC, THE STATION HAS BEEN PARTICULARLY IMPRESSED BY PARTY ORGANIZATIONAL PROGRESS, AND BELIEVES THAT ITS GRASS-ROOTS ORGANIZATION WILL PROVE INDISPENSIBLE TO THE PARTY'S (AND CODE'S) ELECTORAL OUTCOME. THE SHORT-FALL IN PARTY CAMPAIGN

PROJECTIONS WILL NOT BE EVIDENCED IN PDC PROPAGANDA EFFORT (WHICH HAS BEEN CONTRACTED SINCE THE OUTSET OF THE ELECTORAL PERIOD), BUT IN THE CRUCIAL ELECTION DAY MOBILIZATION EFFORT WHICH IS INTENDED TO INSURE MAXIMUM VOTER TURNOUT FOR THE PARTY AND OPPOSITION EFFORT. THE STATION ALSO BELIEVES PDC

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SINCERETY IN REFUSING TO INCUR CAMPAIGN DEBTS, AND THUS WILL BE FORCED TO CURTAIL CERTAIN CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES.

7. IN SUMMARY, WHILE A TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY IN THE SENATE REMAINS A DISTANT GOAL, IT CAN ONLY BE ACCOMPLISHED WITH A MAXIMUM ELECTORAL EFFORT ON THE PART OF ALL OPPOSITION POLITICAL GROUPS. THE STATION IS BY NO MEANS IN A POSITION TO ASSURE THIS OBJECTIVE CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED REGARDLESS OF THE FINANCIAL INPUT WHICH MIGHT BE MADE. HOWEVER, IT CAN CONVERSELY BE STATED WITH SOME CONFIDENCE THAT WITHOUT THE ADDITIONAL FUNDS REQUESTED THE OPPOSITION PARTIES WILL NOT BE ABLE TO MAKE AN OPTIMUM CAMPAIGN EFFORT AND THUS THE PROSPECTS OF ACHIEVING THE TWO-THIRDS WILL BE CORRESPONDINGLY REDUCED.

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